

1845-1850

The great Irish famine was caused by a fungus that arrived in Ireland in 1845 in shipment of beans.

1845

Elias Howe in Boston, Mass  
invented the Sewing Machine

Isaac M. Singer made improvements  
on it

1845

the sewing machine was  
invented

1845

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no. of slaves in Texas = 31,099

1845

The world's largest telescope was built in Ireland by an amateur astronomer, the third Earl of Rosse. It had a 72-in metal mirror and was suspended between 2 stone walls. Lord Rosse discovered what appeared to be whirls (galaxies) far out in space.

1845

Texas become a State

June 8, 1845

Andrew Jackson, 7th pres. of the U.S.  
died in Nashville, Tenn.!

Mar 1, 1845

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Pres Tyler signed a Congressional  
resolution to annex the Republic  
of Texas.



Mar 3, 1845

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Florida became the 27th state

1845

After the Great Western of England,  
Brunel designed with 322 foot  
Great Britain, first big screw-propelled  
steamer and the 1<sup>st</sup> iron ship  
to cross the Atlantic.

She had 6 watertight compartments  
Six iron masts. Her engines of about  
1,000 horsepower (a term invented  
by Watt) drove a 6-bladed

15½-foot propeller that gave her 11 knots  
in trials, better than a 9-knot average  
on her maiden voyage. She could  
carry some 360 passengers + cargo.

1845-49

It was Polk's embrace of  
MANIFEST DESTINY (Term by editor  
John O' Sullivan in 1845) that completed  
the broad outlines of America's  
geography. During his single  
term as President, the U.S. pushed  
its boundaries to the Pacific -  
wedding California and Southwest

from Mexico, admitting Texas to the  
Union, and crowding Britain out  
of the Pacific Northwest.

Jan 29, 1845

Edgar Allen Poe's poem "The Raven"  
was first published in the  
New York Evening Mirror.